

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

April 6, 1999

SPEER COMMUNICATIONS VIRTUAL
MEDIA, INC.

Petition for Finding of Public Convenience
and Necessity to Provide Service as a
Switchless Reseller Interexchange Telephone
Utility
Docket No. 99-86

ORDER GRANTING
AUTHORITY TO
PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE
RESALE SERVICE AND
APPROVING SCHEDULE OF
RATES AND TERMS AND
CONDITIONS

SPEER VIRTUAL MEDIA, LTD.

Request to Abandon Service
Docket No. 99-87

ORDER GRANTING
AUTHORITY TO
ABANDON SERVICE

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

On February 9, 1999, under Docket No. 99-87, Speer Virtual Media, Ltd. filed a request to abandon service. Simultaneously, in Docket No. 99-86, Speer Communications Virtual Media, Inc., (an affiliated interest of Speer Virtual Media, Ltd.) filed a petition for a finding of public convenience and necessity to provide service as a switchless reseller interexchange telephone utility. As a result of these two transactions, Speer Virtual Media, Ltd.'s current authority to provide interexchange telephone service will terminate and Speer Communications Virtual Media, Inc. will, in effect take over its service.

The service, rate schedules and terms and conditions of the successor entity (Speer Communications Virtual Media, Inc.) will be identical to those of the public utility that is abandoning service (Speer Virtual Media, Ltd.). Normally, if a change such as the one before us results in any possible change in rates or terms and conditions to existing customers, we would require the abandoning utility to provide notice to its customers. As this transaction will present no such change, we will not require notice.

By this order, we grant authority to Speer Communications Virtual Media, Inc. to provide service subject to all provisions, including the ordering paragraphs, of the order granting authority to provide switchless reseller interexchange service to Speer Virtual Media, Ltd. in Docket No. 97-552. We also approve Speer Communications Virtual Media's proposed schedule of rates, terms and conditions.

Wherefore, we

ORDER

1. That the request, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1104, by Speer Virtual Media, Ltd. to abandon service is hereby granted;

2. That the petition, filed pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 2102, of Speer Communications Virtual Media, Inc. for a finding of public convenience and necessity to provide service as a switchless reseller interexchange telephone utility is hereby granted; Speer Communications Virtual Media, Inc. shall be bound by and subject to all provisions, including the ordering paragraphs, of the order granting authority in Docket Number 97-552 to Speer Virtual Media, Ltd.;

3. That the proposed rate schedules and terms and conditions of Speer Communications Virtual Media, Inc. filed on February 9, 1999, consisting of 21 pages and attached hereto, is hereby approved.

Dated at Augusta, Maine this 6th day of April, 1999

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch
Nugent
Diamond